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SUBJECT: REACTION TO KOREAN INCIDENT

1. NEWS OF AUGUST 18 MURDER OF TWO AMERICAN OFFICERS IN KOREAN DMZ HAS SPREAD SLOWLY HERE. AUGUST 19 AFTERNOON ENGLISH PAPER "CEYLON OBSERVER" CARRIED BRIEF FRONT-PAGE REPORT OF UNC ANNOUNCEMENT UNDER HEADING "TWO U.S. ARMY MEN KILLED." NO PICKUP IN P.M. SINHALA PRESS OR ON RADIO NEWS BROADCASTS SO FAR.

2. USIS RELEASED AUGUST 18 WHITE HOUSE AND DEPARTMENT STATEMENTS AS "OFFICIAL TEXT" WITH DISTRIBUTION TO TOP GSL OFFICIALS, SELECTED MP'S, POLITICAL LEADERS, ACADEMICS, TO USUAL EDITORS AND NEWS EDITORS, AND TO FOREIGN MISSIONS.

3. CONSIDERABLE DISCUSSION OF INCIDENT AMONG WESTERN JOURNALISTS AT NASC PRESS CENTER. NORTH KOREAN PRESSMEN BARRAGED WITH QUESTIONS
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